A PARTICULAR RELATION OF THE LATE SUCCESS OF His MAJESTIES Forces at *TANGIER* against the *MOORS*.

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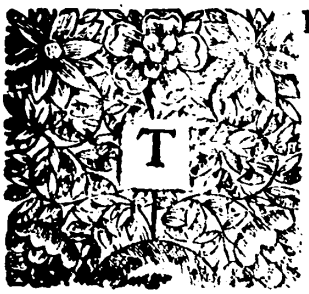

THE 12th Instant arrived here the *sweepstakes* and other Vessels with three Troops of Horse, consisting of 150 Men, and with Stores and Provisions of War. The 15th, being the Morning after the *New Moon* appeared, the *Alcayde* sent *Hamet* with a White Flag, to acquaint Sir *Palmes Fairborne* our Lieutenant-Governor, That the Cessation was expired; and the same day the *Moors* made several Shot at our Sentinels, and were Answered in the like kind. From the 15th to the 20th there passed nothing of Action: But a Council of War having been held, It was Resolved to March out, in order to the Recovering some of those Posts which the Enemy was in Possession of. Accordingly on the 20th, by break of day, the Horse Marched out at *Catherina*

rina-Port, a ſmall Party whereof being appointed to diſcover the Ground, our Governor the Lord *Mordant*, and Mr. *Sheres* our Surveyor-General being at the head of them, galloped up to the Ruines of *Pole*-Fort; where the Enemy uſed to have a ſtrong Guard; but finding not ſo much as a Sentinel there, they advanced along the Ridge of the Hill to the ground whereon *Monmouth*-Fort ſtood, where likewiſe the *Moors* were wont to keep a conſtant Guard, which Poſt they alſo found deſerted. In the mean time the Horſe being poſted in convenient ſtations, the Foot Marched out with all the ſilence poſſible, conſiſting of Four Battalions, and an Advanced Party of 200 Men Commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel *Talmaſh*, the Earl of *Plimouth*, and ſeveral Gentlemen with him, being Voluntiers, who Marching up to the Ground of *Pole*-Fort took their Poſt there; Lieutenant-Collonel *Sackville*, with the Battalion of Guards, was Poſted on the Right, upon the skirt of the ſaid Hill, on the Left of whom was a Battalion of the Old Regiment of the Garriſon, Commanded by Captain *Giles*; the other two Battalions, drawn out of the Scotch Regiment, were on the Left of them, Commanded by Major *Hackett*, and Captain *Spott*, with a Company of Grenadiers Commanded by Captain *Hodges*. In the *Spurr* within the *Stockades*, before *Catherine*-Port, was Poſted another Battalion of the Old Garriſon, Commanded by Major *Boynton*. Vice-Admiral *Herbert*, with 500 Seamen, Marched out at the Sally-Port, on the South-Eaſt ſide of the *Town*, and poſſeſt the Ground between that and *Cambridge*-Fort, where they Entrencht themſelves. The Parties being thus diſpoſed, a competent number of Men, appointed for the Works, advanced, in order to their Intrenching on the Ground of *Pole*-Fort, where Major *Beckman* the Ingenier aſſigned them their Work. The Enemy by this time having taken the Allarme, came and lodged themſelves upon our Old Line, betwixt *James* and *Monmouth*-Forts, from whence they plyed us very warmly with their Small-ſhot, the place lying wholly open to it; but our Men, encouraged by our Governor, who Commanded upon the Spott, notwithſtanding the ſharpneſs of the Service, went through with it; In the mean time ſmall Parties were drawn out of the ſeveral Battalions, who advancing to the very Line where the Enemy was lodged, forced them thence; in which Service, a Party of Grenadiers, Commanded by Captain *Hodges*, behaved themſelves very bravely. Theſe Detachments were relieved by others, by which means the Enemy was conſtantly entertained, and our Works went on chearfully. By Night we had Intrenched and Stockaded in as much Ground, as received 500 men, who were lodged there, Commanded

Commanded by Lt. Colonel *Sackville* (my Lord *Plimouth*, my Lord *Mordant*, and moſt of the Gentlemen Volunteers bearing him company) Lieutenant-Colonel *Talmaſh*, Captain *Kirke*, Captain *Lockart*, Captain *St. Johns*, &c. commanding under him. In this days Action we had 5 men killed, 12 wounded; of the Horſe ſeveral were ſhot in their Arms; and the *Moors* permitted us to retire without giving us any diſturbance.

The 21, we marched out as early as the day before, with this difference only, that Major *Boynton* commanded a Battalion in the Field, and Captain *Giles* in the Place of Arms before *Catherine-Port*; having poſted the ſeveral Battalions, we proſecuted our Works within our new Intrenchment by Blinds, Parrapets, and performing other Services for the ſtrengthening the place, and ſecuring our men; We poſſeſt our ſelves of thoſe Advanced-Poſts from whence the Enemy annoyed us at our Work. We alſo took poſſeſſion of a Line on the right of *Pole-Fort*, where the Enemy had pitched their Colours with very little loſs; and the ground we gained we kept; and in order to the ſecuring our new Works, we began a Line from *Pole-Fort*, to the Left, toward *Bridges-Fort*; this day and the day before ſeveral of the Enemies Horſe and Foot were killed; of ours 7 were ſlain, and 18 wounded; of the Horſe ſeveral were ſhot in their Arms, and two Horſes killed, and two more diſabled; This night Major *Hacket* had the Guard in our New-Work at *Pole-Fort*, Captain *Hodges*, Captain *Loudy*, Captain *Hume*, &c. commanding under him.

The 22, we marched out early as before, taking Poſſeſſion of the Ground, as formerly, by Detachements from our Battalions, a Party of Grenadiers of Vice-Admiral *Herbert*'s Men being poſted upon the Ground of *Monmouth* Fort. Some of the *Moors* Horſe advanced very reſolutely to the very Line where our Men were Lodged, but were repulſed, and ſeveral of them killed. Several of the *Scotch* Grenadiers, who were very active and daring, advancing to the Sand-Hills a little too far, and mixing with the *Moors*, were ſome of them killed, and others advancing to their relief, were likewiſe hard put to it. All this day the Enemy kept us in much Action, they preſſing our Advanced-Parties very much who were aſſiſted and ſuſtained by the Horſe, and maintained their Ground till night, when it was thought fit they ſhould retire; and that they might the better do it, our Governor, who perceiving the Enemies ſtrength to be encreaſed, as well by the number of Colours that appeared, as by their preſſing us more this day than they had done hitherto, conjectured they would make ſome briſk Attempt upon our Retreat, provided for it by commanding Major

jor *Hacket* with a Party to sustain the Rear, which proved of admirable use to us; for the *Moors* upon our retiring, immediately advanced, and came over our Lines, but were so well received by Major *Hacket*, that they soon retreated. In the Evening Vice-Admiral *Herbert* planted two Demy-Culverins at his Post, which did good Service; this day we had 8 Men killed, and 20 wounded.

Thus you have an Account of these three days proceedings, in which our Governor has shown as much Military Skill as Personal Bravery,

Vice-Admiral *Herbert* on this, as on all other occasions, has given Proofs of his Courage and Conduct. Major *Beckman* has shown himself a stout and able Man in his Profession; Lieutenant-Colonel *Sackville*, Lieutenant-Colonel *Talmash*, Major *Hacket*, Captain *Faltry*, Captain *Kirke*, Lieutenant *Bridgeman*, and Lieutenant *Fitz-Patricke*, and all the other Officers as well *English* as *Scotch*, have behaved themselves like brave and gallant Men; and all the Soldiers in general that were in the Actions deserve a like Commendation: The Gentlemen Volunteers have likewise approved themselves Men of Courage; And the Earl of *Plimouth* and the Lord *Mordant*, did not let any Action pass either on Foot or Horseback, in which they had not a share.

FINIS.

In the *SAVOY*:

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